

**COUNCIL POLICY****CURRENT**

SUBJECT: CITY DEVELOPMENT OF SCHOOL SITES FOR PARK PURPOSES  
POLICY NO.: 700-35  
EFFECTIVE DATE: August 24, 1981

**BACKGROUND:**

During the past several years the City of San Diego has worked cooperatively with the San Diego Unified School District in the development of school sites. The School District now indicates they will be unable to financially participate in such projects.

**PURPOSE:**

To establish guidelines for the future development of school site for park purposes.

**POLICY:**

1. City will seek to develop school sites where population based park deficiencies exist, and where adequate playground acreage is available to accommodate such development.
2. City participation in the development of school property will be according to the following criteria:
  - a. The City will notify the School District of park needs and the City's priorities for meeting those needs.
  - b. The size and design of the area should accommodate a variety of activities, e.g., active and passive recreation.
  - c. Plans and specifications for the area to be developed must be approved by City and School District prior to the beginning of construction.
  - d. Developed areas shall be constructed for school/community use and not specifically for any group or organization.
  - e. A written lease agreement between the City and district(s) will guarantee community use during non-school hours and for a minimum term to insure the amortization of the City's cost of improvement.
  - f. The City has adequate funds available for maintenance of said areas, including utilities.

**CROSS REFERENCE:**

Council Policy 700-13

Council Policy 800-06

Administrative Regulation 1.60

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